

Please do not overturn the ban on the use of cellular telephones on aircraft: there is an implicit social contract of relative silence when people are crowded tightly in a space - we can manage getting through the journey, be it in a subway car, elevator, bus, or airplane trip only if we can pretend we are not jammed so closely together. It is only in the quiet of the space that the fiction can be perpetuated and civility can reign - cell phone use will destroy the ability for people to make that leap of imagination. (And if you've ever ridden on a NJ Transit commuter bus, you will know that there are details of other's personal lives that NO ONE should be forced to hear. And the hostility it engenders is not something anyone wants to endure.) If someone wants to yap on the phone, let them do it some where and some time else. Thank you, Tracy